



CHIP CHAT

YOUR CHIP NEWS LETTER

Fall 2001

KEEPING CHIP FAMILIES INFORMED

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SPEED UP YOUR CHIP RENEWAL

We re-determine eligibility for children on CHIP every year. You'll receive your renewal packet 60 days before your deadline. When you do...

1. Completely fill out your application
2. Make sure you sign and date it.
3. Enclose two recent wage stubs and/or an employer statement which reflects your current income, with your application.
4. Mail your application with verifications to the Helena CHIP office.

IT'S UP TO YOU TO TELL US...

Tell us right away if your child gets other health insurance or leaves the state. Leaving a child on CHIP who has other health insurance or leaves the state prevents an uninsured child from getting CHIP.

NO BAKE COOKIES

Tasty no-bake cookies made with oatmeal, peanut butter and cocoa. Start timing when mixture reaches a full rolling boil; this is the trick to successful cookies. If you boil too long the cookies will be dry and crumbly. If you don't boil them long enough, the cookies won't form properly. Prep Time: approx. 10 minutes. Recipe makes 3 dozen (36 servings).

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www.allrecipes.com

1-3/4 cups white sugar
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup milk
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup butter
 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup unsweetened cocoa powder
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup crunchy peanut butter
3 cups quick-cooking oats
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Directions

In a medium saucepan, combine Sugar, milk butter, and cocoa. Bring to a boil, and cook for 1-1/2 minutes. Remove from heat, and stir in peanut butter, oats, and vanilla. Drop by teaspoons onto wax paper. Let cool until hardened.

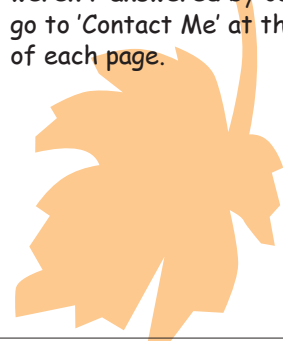
Check out our new web site at www.insurekidsnow.gov. Click on the 'Your State's Programs' tab, then click on Montana.

Do you want more information? Go to 'Current CHIP Families' to learn more about your child's insurance card and to get help locating dental, medical and vision care providers.

Do you have questions about CHIP benefits? Go to 'About CHIP' to learn about co-payments and services covered.

Check out 'Frequently Asked Questions'

If you have questions that weren't answered by our web page, go to 'Contact Me' at the bottom of each page.



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CHILDHOOD IMMUNIZATION SCHEDULE

Hep B	—	Vaccine to prevent Hepatitis B, highly infectious virus which attacks the liver.
DTaP	—	Combined vaccine to prevent Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis.
Hib	—	Vaccine to prevent Haemophilus b disease a leading cause of meningitis, (an infection of the brain or covering of the brain and spinal cord).
IPV	—	Vaccine to prevent Polio.
PCV	—	Vaccine to prevent pneumococcal disease.

MMR	—	Combined vaccine to prevent Measles, Mumps and Rubella.
Var	—	Vaccine to prevent Varicella Zoster or Chickenpox.
Hep A	—	Vaccine to prevent Hepatitis A infection of the liver. Discuss with your doctor to determine your risk.
Ovals	—	Adolescents who have not received all recommended doses of Hep B, MMR, Td or Varicella vaccine should receive those doses of vaccine during the adolescent visit.

You never have a co-pay for vaccines or immunizations

MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES Recommended Childhood Immunization Schedule

Age Vaccine	Birth	1 mo	2 mos	4 mos	6 mos	12 mos	15 mos	18 mos	24 mos	4-6 yrs	11-12 yrs	14-16 yrs
Hepatitis B	Hep B											
Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis		Hep B	DTaP	DTaP	DTaP		DTaP			DTaP	Hep B	Td
H. influenzae type b			Hib	Hib	Hib	Hib						
Polio			IPV	IPV	IPV	IPV			IPV			
Pneumococcal Conjugate			PCV	PCV	PCV	PCV						
Measles, Mumps, Rubella						MMR			MMR	MMR		
Varicella Zoster Virus Vaccine						Var					Var	
Hepatitis A									Hep A - in selected areas			

Approved by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), and the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP).

IF YOUR CHILD IS NOT ON THE RECOMMENDED SCHEDULE, see your physician, health department or clinic. A schedule will be set up for the best protection for your child.

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Important Phone Numbers

Children's Health
Insurance Plan
(CHIP)
1-877-543-7669

CHIP WEB SITE
ADDRESS
www.insurekidsnow.gov

Click on the "Your
State's Programs"
tab, then click on
Montana.

CHIP Email Address
Chip@state.mt.us

BLUE CHIP
Blue Cross and
Blue Shield
1-800-447-7828
extension 8647